"Learning Together, Learning for Life"



Mablins Lane Community Primary School Newsletter ~ 11th March 2021

Dear Parents and Children



It is lovely to have everybody back in school. We start this week with a little poem for you as parents.

An ode to parents:

I hope this is the final day
I hope that this is it
Can we hand back to the teachers
Who are much better at it?

Can I do the massive mountain
Of jobs and chores and lists
Reply to all the emails
Do the cleaning that's been missed

Can the children go and see their friends
Can I log out of zoom
I'm hoping that come Monday
They will be in the same room

Can I look back over weeks And say, I know I did enough Even though we didn't do it all On days when things felt tough

I hope today's the last time And the final time we see The kitchen as a classroom And the teacher being me

The never ending juggle
Of working, teaching, "muuuum"
I'll never take for granted
The school dinners and school run

So let hope today's the last day Let's celebrate like it's so Crack out a treat, and kitchen dance And shout to the virus "GO!" Tidy up the pens and worksheets
Put the laptops all away
I'll leave the teaching to the teachers
And return to "mum" today.

Back to School

We cannot thank our families enough for the support they gave over the lockdown, but it was so good to see everybody on Monday. We know how much of a relief it is to get the children back to school and for the parent who asked if it was ok to skip across the playground – YES!

Timings

It is vital that parents stick to the allocated time slot for dropping off and collecting their children. Timings and entry/exits have been coordinated in order to reduce the number of contacts at each point – so please use the time and entrance/exit that is designated for your year group.

ONLY 1 MEMBER OF A HOUSEHOLD SHOULD ENTER THE SCHOOL SITE TO DROP OFF/COLLECT.

Pupils in Y4/5/6 will be starting their learning at **08:40** so MUST be in school by this time. For children in EYFS/Y1/Y2/Y3 their start time is **09:00** and the doors do not open until **08:40/08:45**. **PLEASE** do not arrive too early as this causes crowds to form on the playground.

SCHOOL START TIMES

YEAR 4, 5 & 6 08:40

EYFS, YEAR I, 2 & 3 09:00

The one-way system remains in place on the school site. Whilst on site all adults must wear a face covering unless exempt for medical reasons. Please leave the premises promptly at the end of the day, and do not gather on the pathways and pavements around school. Could we also ask that parents keep toddler children under close supervision? We have already adjusted the

organisation for the front of school at the Mablins Lane entrance, as it seemed to be causing some congestion. We ask parents to be mindful that this entry/exit is through the car park. Whilst we do not expect vehicles to be moving at this time exceptional care is needed. Thank you.



Drop Off - Parking



Again, please can I remind parents to park responsibly and respectfully in the vicinity of the school? It has been brought to my attention that some families are parking at the junction of Mablins Lane and Parkers Road. Not

only is this dangerous, it is also illegal. Our PCSO has been informed and if he visits he will be issuing tickets if this continues. Be warned!!

Equipment - Reminder

ALL children should wear a named coat to school. The children will be spending time outdoors including break and lunch periods so must have an outdoor coat.



Children should not bring big bags, any unnecessary equipment from home including stationery. We have provided pencil cases and all writing

equipment for the

children.

Children should bring a water bottles which can be re-filled throughout the day and a snack for morning break time. We are still not providing snacks via the kitchen so a healthy snack from home is advised. (No sweets or chocolate please!)



Reading books and diaries must also be brought to school every day.

World Book Day

Last Thursday was World Book Day. We used the book 'Socks' by Nick Sharrat and Elizabeth Lindsay. We are

pleased to say that Nick Sharrat saw of one OUR 'Tweets' and 'Tweeted' back in his socks!!!

It was great to see everyone's jazzy socks, and I hope you all managed to have a good read.

We received the



usual book vouchers, which we are distributing to everybody. Of course with non-essential shops closed then it is not so easy to use the voucher. I believe that the end date had been extended, although many supermarkets are stocking the books and the vouchers can be used there.



GREEN DAY – 5th March

Last Friday was green day and it was good to engage in some 'eco' based activities and have a think about how we can all work towards making our planet a better place to live. The splashes of green around the school were lovely. I had my green jumper on, but we even had faces painted green!!







Assemblies - shout outs last week too....

EYFS Certificates:

Paisley, Harry, Jack B, Phoebe, Alfie P and Ellie H.

Year 1 Certificates:

Emily F, Nathan T, Isla J, Buddy, Sophie C and Chloe T Year 2 Certificates:

Evie C, Evie T and Jack H

Year 3 Certificates:

Phoebe M, Robyn W, Mya C, Jack N, Clara S and Peggy-Louise

Year 4 Certificates:

This week we have found it unbelievably hard to choose seen as we are at the end of home-school learning, so all of year 4 team have decided to pick all of the children and parents for their incredible efforts with learning at home and in school. We are astonished at the efforts and work produced during these uncertain times and unbelievably proud of all of the children and parents and careers. So this week we are giving one HUGE award to all of the children and parents in Year 4!





Shout out also to....

Freya P/year 4 who worked really hard with her online learning so that she could bake a cake for her Grandad's 80th birthday.

Year 5 Certificates:

Jessica G, Isla K, Cristian M, Lily A, Sophie M and Connor M

Year 6 Certificates:

For outstanding contributions and consistently producing work that is of the highest possible standard-they have relished the challenge of home learning and have very high expectations of themselves. A massive well done to... Lucas T, Leah M, Louisa B

From Mr Harrison/year 6. "I'm going for all of the children who have been in school throughout this time. They have not complained once and have been a pleasure to teach. When we have had Year 6 teacher meetings, we have always had positive things to say about all of the children. It has been great getting to know some of the children who are not normally in our classes. It has been really fun teaching them all!"

Last week of Home Learning

Thank you to all the children that have sent in photos of remote/home learning. YOU have done an amazing job and WE are so proud of you all, but so pleased to have you all back in school!



Positive Cases

A protocol is in place should a positive case be reported and that class/year group will be isolated immediately. Parents will be contacted and a 10-day isolation period will be implemented. It is vital that parents support us by passing on important information quickly. Should a pupil or any close family member show any symptoms then it is important NOT to come to school. Please notify us of the situation and we can take appropriate action.

IMPORTANT

Covid-19 Telephone Number

If your child has a Covid test and it is positive you must inform the school immediately by calling our Covid telephone line on:

MABLINS LANE COVID POSITIVE TEST REPORTING TELEPHONE NO.

07415 005702

This number is **ONLY** for reporting a positive test.

Illness

Whilst we are all being vigilant for COVID symptoms, please let us not forget that the children may just get a winter cold or a tummy bug. If your child is unwell in anyway then please keep them at home in order to contain the spread of germs.

Free School Meals

Are you entitled to Free School Meals? Go to the link below to see if you meet the specified criteria. Applying for FSM attracts over £1000 of funding in to school which



helps to support the children, for example helping to fund your child's school trips.

https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals

School Meals - Cashless Payments

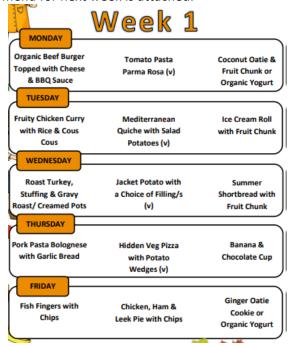
Please can we remind parents about the Cheshire East epayments system. Payments for school meals **should** where possible be made online via the

Cheshire East School Epayments Portal

If parents are unsure how to do this then please ask at the school office or refer to the online parent guide.

School Lunches

The menu will revert to two choices each day. A copy of the menu for next week is attached.



Casual Cleaner Wanted! - Mablins Lane School



We are looking to appoint a school cleaner to join our dedicated cleaning support team at Mablins Lane Community Primary School.

The vacancy is a temporary post working 10 hours per week, the hours will be 10am to 12pm Monday to Friday.

Application forms are available from the school office. Once completed these should be returned to school no later than 12 noon on Friday 12th March 2021 and interviews will take place week beginning the 15th March 2021.

For further information, please contact Mrs J Wagstaffe, deputy@mablinslane.cheshire.sch.uk

COMIC RELIEF / RED NOSE DAY – 19th March 2021

Children really want to support Red Nose Day on Friday 19th March, so we are just asking this year that children can wear something RED on the day with jeans etc... and wear a RED NOSE if they have one! WE are not collecting non-uniform money on



this day but if you can purchase a red nose to support the charity then that's great! You can buy them from



Year Group - Email Address Mablins Lane CP School

Our year group email addresses are still operational. Please use ONLY the following email addresses to contact your child's class teacher. They will respond during the school working hours of between 9.00am and 4.30pm, please note that many of the teachers are still in school and teaching key worker children.

eyfs@mablinslane.cheshire.sch.uk
year1@mablinslane.cheshire.sch.uk
year2@mablinslane.cheshire.sch.uk
year3@mablinslane.cheshire.sch.uk
year4@mablinslane.cheshire.sch.uk
year5@mablinslane.cheshire.sch.uk
year6@mablinslane.cheshire.sch.uk

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The School Kitchen will also be serving a special RED NOSE themed lunch on the 19th March, flyers will be sent to parents shortly!

Reading



The School wants to set up a bookstall at the front of school by Easter time. If you have any 'children's' old but good quality books that you would like to donate to us, then we would really appreciate your donations. We will disinfect all books and then display these at the

We will disinfect all books and then display these at the front entrance for families to take, read and return. The bookstall will run as a free stall, but if you could donate any books then this would be great!





Finally

Pupils and students returned to school and college from Monday 8th March

From that date the guidance is:

- pupils and students in all schools and further education settings return to face-to-face education
- wraparound childcare can reopen and other children's activities can restart only where it is needed to enable parents to work, attend education, seek medical care or attend a support group. Vulnerable children can attend childcare and other children's activities in all circumstances
- students on practical higher education courses at English universities who have not already returned and would be unable to complete their courses if they did not return to take part in practical teaching, access specialist facilities or complete assessments will be able to return

BUT

England is still in a national lockdown. You must stay at home, leaving only where permitted by law, and follow the rules in the <u>national lockdown: stay at home guidance</u>.

Have a good weekend everybody. Stay Home, Stay Safe. Take care and look after yourselves.

With kind regards, Justine Joule - Headteacher